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Annual Report
OF THE
Municipal Officers
OF THE TOWN OF
Searsmont, Maine

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

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Annual Report

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Municipal Officers

- - - of the - - -

Town of

Searsmont, Maine



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

1947

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER MAYNARD R. MARRINER
RICHARD MERRIAM

Compensation — Town Wage Rate

Treasurer

Harriet E. Knight

Compensation, \$100 per annum

Tax Collector and Constable

Edward C. Howard—2 1-2 per cent

Moderator

Harold Nutter

Compensation, Town Wage Rate Each Meeting

Town Clerk

Alleine W. Adams

Compensation, \$50 and Fees

Road Commissioner

Frank B. Fuller

Compensation, Town Wage Rate

School Committee

Josephene L. Aldus

Hiram R. Davis

Louise S. Robbins

Compensation, \$20 per year each

School Superintendent

Lewis L. Gray, for five town district

Searsmont's salary contribution, \$194.00

Fire Warden and Inspector

R. B. Knight, Compensation, \$50 per year

Health Officer

Ethel Higgins, Compensation, Town Wage Rate

Sealer of Weights and Measures

A. W. Adams

Constable

Edward C. Howard

State of Maine
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
Augusta

February 19, 1948

Board of Selectmen

Searsmont

Maine

Gentlemen:

This letter acknowledges your request of February 19 for an audit of the books of the Town for 1947 municipal year.

Due to previous commitments, it will not be possible for us to complete this examination prior to the annual town meeting date in March. This matter will, however, have our prompt attention at the earliest possible date.

Very truly yours,

FRED M. BERRY
State Auditor

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State of Maine
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT
Augusta

May 20, 1947

Board of Selectmen

Searsmont

Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 16, Section 3, Revised Statutes of 1944 and at your request, the records of the Town of Searsmont have been audited by Auditors M. G. Allen and C. G. Hawes for the period February 7, 1946 to February 3, 1947 inclusive.

The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards applicable in the circumstances and included all procedures which were considered necessary. Insofar as could be ascertained within the scope of the examination, the financial transactions of the town appear to have been appropriately handled.

Exhibits and schedules incorporated in this report impartially present the financial position of the town and the result of its operations for the period designated. A recommendation has been made which we believe is worthy of your consideration.

Comments and other data incorporated in this report may prove of interest to you. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Very truly yours,

FRED M. BERRY
State Auditor

COMMENTS**Re: Audit of Accounts - Town of Searsmont
February 7, 1946 to February 3, 1947****Cash:**

The cash balance at February 3, 1947, amounted to \$3,662.84. This amount reconciled with the bank statement of the First National Bank of Belfast.

All receipts as recorded by the Treasurer were found to have been promptly deposited in the bank.

It was ascertained that all disbursements were made by check and that all warrants were paid in full.

Accounts Receivable:

The only account receivable outstanding was \$97.45 due from the Town of Bowdoinham.

Taxes Receivable:

The 1946 tax commitment book was added and checked to the valuation book. The amount due from the Collector on this commitment is represented by unpaid taxes, as is shown on Schedule A-6 in detail.

The prior year's unpaid taxes are shown in detail on Schedule A-7. All collections as recorded by the Tax Collector were traced to the records of the Treasurer. It was ascertained that all uncollected 1945 assessments on real estate had been secured by tax liens.

Tax Liens:

The balance of the tax liens at February 3, 1947, was \$774.80. The detail of the tax liens appears on Schedule A-8. Liens supporting this detail were found on file and were examined.

Accounts Payable:

The accounts payable at February 3, 1947, amounted to \$12.55. Of this amount, \$10.00 is due the State for State Aid Road and \$2.55 is due the Collector for overpayments on 1946 taxes.

Notes Payable:

During the year, \$1,000 was paid on the outstanding notes, and \$2,000 was borrowed for the repairs on snow plow equipment, as authorized at a special town meeting.

Surplus:

The surplus at February 3, 1947, was:

Appropriated.....	\$1,782.95
Unappropriated.....	1,030.73
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Total.....	\$2,813.68

The appropriated surplus represents the balance of certain appropriation accounts which are carried forward to the ensuing year.

The unappropriated surplus was decreased \$950.38 during the year.

Major items affecting surplus were:

Decreases:

Net Overdraft Balances (Ex. D).....	\$1,444.62
Note for Snow Plow Repairs.....	2,000.00

Increases:

Supplemental Tax	92.82
Excise Tax	960.43
Appropriation for Notes Payable.....	1,000.00
Gain - Tax Liens Redeemed.....	545.46

A complete analysis of the change in this account may be found on Exhibit E.

General:

The 1946 excise tax receipts, No. 36 to 209, and the 1947 excise tax receipts, No. 1 to 36, were checked from the copies of the receipts, and all monies had been deposited with the Treasurer.

A test check was made of vouchers and payrolls, and all so examined appeared to be reasonable and proper charges.

It is recommended that the Excise Tax Collector make monthly remittances to the Treasurer.

EXHIBIT A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

General Fund

ASSETS

	February 3, 1947	February 6, 1946
Cash	\$3,662.84	\$1,650.16
Accounts Receivable (Sch. A-1) ..	97.45	1,197.93
Taxes Receivable:		
Current Year (Sch. A-2)	\$1,183.66	\$1,804.71
Prior Years (Sch. A-2)	142.06	54.27
	<u>1,325.72</u>	<u>1,858.98</u>
Tax Liens (Sch. A-3)	774.80	1,032.44
Less-Reserve for Losses	34.58	72.50
	<u>740.22</u>	<u>959.94</u>
Total Assets	\$5,826.23	\$5,667.01

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable (Sch. A-4)	\$12.55	\$6.47
Notes Payable (Sch. A-5)	3,000.00	2,000.00
	<u>\$3,012.55</u>	<u>\$2,006.47</u>

SURPLUS

Appropriated (Exh. D)	\$1,782.95	\$1,679.43
Unappropriated (Exh. E)	1,030.73	1,981.11
	<u>2,813.68</u>	<u>3,660.54</u>
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$5,826.23	\$5,667.01

EXHIBIT E

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS

Year Ended February 3, 1947

Unappropriated Surplus-February 7, 1946		\$1,981.11
Adjustments Affecting Prior Years:		
Charge:		
Abatements on Prior Years' Taxes	\$39.00	
Credit:		
Reserve for Tax Accounts Adjusted	37.92	
Net Adjustments		1.08
Adjusted Surplus		\$1,980.03
Decrease:		
Appropriation Balances:		
Overdraft (Exh. D)	\$1,456.18	
Unexpended (Exh. D)	11.56	
		\$1,444.62
Note-Snow Plow Equipment Repairs	2,000.00	
Abatements-1946 Taxes	56.26	
Discounts-1946 Taxes	126.35	
Total Decrease		3,627.23
Increase:		
Overlay (Exh. C)	35.72	
Supplemental Tax	92.82	
Excise Tax	960.43	
1945 Tax Lien Costs	43.50	
Appropriation-Notes Payable	1,000.00	
Gain-Tax Liens Redeemed	545.46	
Total Decrease		2,677.93
Net Decrease		949.30
Unappropriated Surplus-February 3, 1947 (Exh. A)		\$1,030.73

The complete report of the audit, as required by Chapter 80, Section 119, Revised Statutes of 1944, and amended by Chapter 84, Public Laws of 1945, is on file in the office of the Selectmen.

 REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Real Estate, Resident.....	\$171,418.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident.....	77,052.00	
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		\$248,470.00
Personal Estate, Resident.....	62,250.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident.....	4,650.00	
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		66,900.00
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Total Valuation of Real and Personal Estate		315,370.00

EXEMPT

Live stock and Poultry.....	3,160.00	
Exempt Polls 35 at \$3.00.....	105.00	
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		3,265.00

ASSESSMENTS

Polls 154 at \$3.00.....	462.00	
Real and Personal Estate Valued at 315,370.00 at .064.....	20,183.68	
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		20,645.68

SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Real Estate Valued at 3,113.00 at .064	199.23	
Personal Estate Valued at 60.00.....	3.84	
12 Polls at \$3.00.....	36.00	
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		239.07
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Total Tax Assessed		20,884.75

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Summary of Overdrafts and Unexpended Balance

	Overdrafts	Unexpended Balance
Abatements.....	234.02	
Town Officers Salaries.....	373.51	
Rental Fuel and Office Supplies.....	109.71	
Collectors Commission.....	354.51	
Roads and Bridges.....	41.64	
Third Class Road Reconstruction.....	1.09	
Third Class Road Maintenance.....	8.64	
Special Resolve Road Maintenance ..	174.53	
Road Patrol.....	59.70	
Ghent Hills Bituminous Treatment ..	105.77	
Old Cemeteries and Flags.....	10.00	
Supplement Aid to Old Age		
Assistance and Blind.....	356.68	
Mothers Aid.....	30.00	
Fire Equipment.....	76.32	
Fire Department.....	139.52	
Interest on Loans.....	83.33	
Overlay and Supplementary.....	2,158.97	
Committment.....		565.51
Excise Tax.....		1,130.33
Contingent.....		252.84
Net Overdraft to Surplus.....		210.29
		2,158.97

TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT

February 6, 1947, Cash on Hand	3,662.84	
Treasurers Receipts.....	30,292.67	
Paid out on Warrants.		33,096.97
February 9, Cash Balance to 1948.....		948.54
	<u>33,955.51</u>	<u>33,955.51</u>

APPROPRIATIONS

Voted at Town Meeting.....	17,039.83	
State Tax.....	2,161.91	
County Tax	1,117.50	
Overlay	326.44	
Supplementary Committment.....	239.07	
May 20, Committment.....		20,645.68
Supplementary Committment.....		239.07
	<u>20,884.75</u>	<u>20,884.75</u>

TOWN PROPERTY

Four Schoolhouses.....	3,500.00
Road Machinery.....	175.00
Snow Fence.....	475.00
Two Safes	50.00
Snow Plow and Tractors.....	5,000.00
One-fifth interest in Weights and Measures	30.00
One-half interest in five gallon Measure.....	7.00
Adding Machine.....	50.00

Typewriter.....	25.00
Fire Equipment.....	1,600.00
Hand Fire Pumps.....	65.00
Sander.....	20.00
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	10,997.00

OVERLAY

May 20, Overlay.....		326.44
Supplementary Commitment.....		239.07
Carried to Summary.....	565.51	
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	565.51	565.51

EXCISE TAX

Excise Tax.....		1,130.33
Carried to Summary.....	1,130.33	
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	1,130.33	1,130.33

ABATEMENTS

By abatement voted at the Annual Town Meeting a 2 per cent discount on cash payment of taxes ending July 10, 1947.....	113.01	
Abatements for 1945.....	1.77	
Abatements for 1946.....	23.52	
Abatements for 1947.....	95.72	
Carried to Summary.....		234.02
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	234.02	234.02

1944 TAX ACCOUNT

Ira J. Packard, Collector

1944 Tax Uncollected.....	44.20	
Collected and Credited.....		30.26
February 9, Balance Uncollected to 1948		13.94
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	44.20	44.20

1945 TAX ACCOUNT

1945 Tax Uncollected.....	97.86	
Collected and Credited.....		14.88
By Abatement		1.77
February 9, Balance Uncollected to 1948		81.21
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	97.86	97.86

1946 TAX ACCOUNT

1946 Tax Uncollected.....	1,183.66	
Supplementary Tax.....	9.00	
Collected and Credited.....		1,037.69
By Abatement		23.52
February 9, Balance Uncollected to 1948		131.45
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	1,192.66	1,192.66

1947 TAX ACCOUNT

Edward C. Howard Collector,

May 20, Commitment	20,645.68	
Supplementary Tax.....	239.07	
Collected and paid to Treasurer.....		18,142.65
February 9, By Abatements.....		208.72
February 9, Balance Uncollected to 1948		2,533.37
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	20,884.75	20,884.75

STATE TAX

State Tax 1947.....		2,161.91
December 17, State School Fund	2,161.91	
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	2,161.91	2,161.91

COUNTY TAX

County Tax 1947.....		1,117.50
Treasurer of Waldo County.....	1,117.50	
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	1,117.50	1,117.50

Resident Unpaid Taxes

Beverage, Elmer.....	5.56
Beverage, Malvina A.....	105.60
Bryant, Ora.....	91.81
Butler, Clinton A.....	18.83
Bowley, Bernice A.....	30.08
Bowley, Donovan W.....	91 52
Brown, Gladys.....	88.96
Corson, Rosie M.....	20.16
Cushman, Maynard.....	70.08
Choat, Arland.....	3.00
Carr, Byron A.....	48.96
Drummond, Bertrand.....	123.96
Freeman, Preston, Heirs of.....	58.24
Fuller, Clarence.....	67.68
Fuller, Ethelyn.....	36.68
Gerrish, Willys H.....	83.64
Harriman, Hilda.....	29.44
Harriman, Laurence.....	3.00
Hogan, Jessie and Blyn.....	11.76
Hermanson, H. Percy.....	126.52
Hjulstrom, William.....	9.04

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Jakobson, Charles.....	8.72	
Keene, Alexander A.....	3.96	
Longley, Mahalon.....	17.40	
Lucas, Don E.....	153.56	
Lucas, Fredrick.....	6.40	
Leadbetter, Norman.....	42.24	
Marriner, Clifton & Myrtle.....	35.40	
MacKenzie Charles & Elenor,.....	74.24	
Mahuron, Carrie.....	24.64	
Robinson, Lewis L.....	23.04	
Richards, Cora M.....	14.08	
Smith, Harry E., Jr.....	11.00	
Smith, Harry E. & Lena.....	65.48	
Sweetland, Byron A.	35.20	
Sharkey, James.....	3.00	
Sharkey, Louise.....	24.32	
Tenney, Trafton H.....	21.76	
Tenney, Leonard.....	7.40	
Thomas, George.....	29.76	
Wood, Merton E.....	8.00	
Wilson, Wentworth A.....	64.00	
Wood, Danil.....	33.36	
Wing, Harold.....	19.20	Paid Since Books Closed

Non-Resident Unpaid Taxes

		Paid Since
Cunningham, Hattie.....	1.00	Books Closed
Cross, Wilfred A. & Unice M.....	32.00	
Dickey, Clarence & Franklin Higgins.....	12.80	
Eaton, Harold N. & John B.....	3.20	
Farington, Stewart M.	47.68	
Hilman, Elizabeth.....	38.72	
Heal, Clarence.....	14.08	
Hustus, E. F. & Malcolm E. Wood	10.56	

Littlefield, Edward.....	12.80
Pitman, Arther L.....	9.92
Palmer, Lysander E.....	3.52
Putman, Harold.....	44.80
Rennie, Joseph & Ester M.....	35.20
Roberts, Ralph M.....	6.40
Skinner, Laura.....	17.60
Shanley Lumber Co.....	305.60
Wascott, Sydna A.....	23.04
Yetman, Edna.....	59.52

1933 TAX LIENS

1933 Tax Liens.....	2.97	
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		2.97
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	2.97	2.97

1934 TAX LIENS

1934 Tax Liens.....	14.75	
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		14.75
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	14.75	14.75

1935 TAX LIENS

1935 Tax Liens.....	38.55	
Sold and Credited.....		4.20
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		34.35
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	38.55	38.55

1936 TAX LIENS

1936 Tax Liens.....	4.40	
Sold and Credited.....		4.40
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	4.40	4.40

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1938 TAX LIENS

1938 Tax Liens.....	46.50	
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		46.50
	<hr/> 46.50	<hr/> 46.50

1939 TAX LIENS

1939 Tax Liens.....	39.35	
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		39.35
	<hr/> 39.35	<hr/> 39.35

1940 TAX LIENS

1940 Tax Liens.....	38.00	
Collected and Credited.....		7.80
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		30.20
	<hr/> 38.00	<hr/> 38.00

1941 TAX LIENS

1941 Tax Liens.....	58.49	
Collected and Credited.....		7.88
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		50.61
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1942 TAX LIENS

1942 Tax Liens.....	15.71	
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		15.71
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 1943 TAX LIENS

1943 Tax Liens.....	13.70	
Balance Uncollected to 1948		13.70
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1944 TAX LIENS

1944 Tax Liens....	54.00	
Sold and Credited		38.90
Balance Uncollected to 1948....		15.10
	<hr/> 54.00	<hr/> 54.00

1945 TAX LIENS

1945 Tax Liens....	448.38	
Sold and Credited		441.22
Balance Uncollected to 1948		7.16
	<hr/> 448.38	<hr/> 448.38

1946 TAX LIENS

1946 Tax Liens.....	559.90	
Collected and Credited.....		245.95
Balance Uncollected to 1948.....		313.95
	<hr/> 559.90	<hr/> 559.90

1933 TAX LIENS

Town Property

J. Fred Mardin	2.97	2.97
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1934 TAX LIENS

Ida I. Cobb.....	14.75	14.75
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1935 TAX LIENS

Ida Cobb.....	15.00
Arthur S. Fuller.....	12.30
Ida Gilman.....	2.85
Irvin Rankin.....	4.20

34.35

1938 TAX LIENS

Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs.....	4.40
Abbie M. Bryant, Heirs.....	42.10

46.50

1939 TAX LIENS

Abbie M. Bryant.....	7.30
Abbie M. Bryant.....	4.40
Donahue & Payson.....	24.70
Fidelphus Flagg, Heirs.....	2.95

39.35

1940 TAX LIENS

Donahue & Payson.....	27.10
Fidelphus Flagg, Heirs	3.10

30.20

1941 TAX LIENS

Frank Cooper Lot 8.....	1.83
Frank Cooper Lot 9.....	1.56
Frank Cooper Lot 10.....	1.83
Frank Cooper Lot 11.....	1.56

Elmore Milling Co.....	27.50
George Fuller, Heirs	1.83
Daniel Higgins, Heirs.....	14.50

50.61

1942 TAX LIENS

George M. Fuller, Heirs.....	1.81
Daniel Higgins, Heirs	13.90

15.71

1943 TAX LIENS

Daniel Higgins, Heirs.....	13.70
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13.70

1944 TAX LIENS

Daniel Higgins, Heirs.....	15.10
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15.10

1945 TAX LIENS

Etta Moore	4.80
Roland R. & Elenor Miller	2.36

7.16

1946 TAX LIENS

Bert A. Drummond	103.14
Willis Gerrish	63.21
Charles & Elinor MacKenzie, Lot 1 ..	9.33
Charles & Elinor MacKenzie Lot 3	12.79
Earl W. Tenney.....	16.02
Daniel Wood	30.09
Edric Edgecomb.....	12.39

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Etta Moore	5.13	
Norman Titcomb.....	4.40	
Harry D. and Annie Vogal, Lot 1	41.43	
Harry D. and Annie Vogal, Lot 2	16.02	
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		313.95

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Feb. 3, 1947 Bal. on State Aid Road		10.00
Due Ira J. Packard, overpayment on 1946 tax.....		2.55
Due Ira J. Packard.....		3.00
Distribution: State Treasurer.....	10.00	
Ira J. Packard	5.55	
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	15.55	15.55

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Feb. 3, 1947, Due from the Town of Bowdoinham.....		97.45
Rec. of the Town of Bowdoinham	97.45	
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	97.45	97.45

PURCHASE OF SNOW EQUIPMENT - TRACTOR
AND PLOW LOAN

Feb. 3, 1947 Bal. due First National Bank of Belfast.....		1,000.00
Jan. 17, Paid the First Nat'l Bank.....	500.00	
Feb. 9, 1948, Bal. due the First Nat'l Bank	500.00	
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	1,000.00	1,000.00

 REPAIRING SNOW PLOW EQUIPMENT LOAN

Feb. 3, 1947, Due First Nat'l Bank Belfast.....		2,000.00
Nov. 20, Pd. First Nat'l Bank.....	500.00	
Feb. 9, 1948, Bal. due First Nat'l Bk.	1,500.00	
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	2,000.00	2,000.00

 SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS AND INSURANCE AND
 NEW HEATING EQUIPMENT LOAN

Feb. 9, 1948, First Nat'l Bank Belfast		600.00
Feb. 9, 1948, due First Nat'l Bank	600.00	
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	600.00	600.00

MUNICIPAL TAX ANTICIPATION TEMPORARY LOAN

May 1, 1947, First Nat'l Bank Belfast		3,000.00
Jan. 3, Pd First Nat'l Bank.....	3,000.00	
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	3,000.00	3,000.00

INTEREST ON LOANS

Appropriation.....		100.00
First Nat'l Bank Rebate on note.....		8.00
Paid First Nat'l Bank.....	191.33	
Feb. 9 Overdraft to Summary.....		83.33
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	191.33	191.33

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation.....		900.00
Distributions:		
Harold Nutter.....	5.28	
Wyman G. Drinkwater.....	398.60	

Maynard Marriner.....	292.50	
Richard Merriam.....	222.00	
Ira Packard.....	8.00	
Hiram Davis.....	20.00	
Josephine Aldus.....	20.00	
Louise Robbins.....	20.00	
R. B. Knight.....	50.00	
Ethel Butler.....	21.10	
A. W. Adams.....	50.00	
Harriet E. Knight.....	100.00	
Treasurer of State	61.13	
Collector of Internal Rev.....	4.90	
Feb. Overdraft to Summary.....		373.51
	1,273.51	1,273.51

RENTAL, FUEL AND OFFICE SUPPLIES

Appropriation.....		300.00
Distribution:		
Liberty & Belfast Tel. & Tel.....	35.38	
Sprowl Bros.....	37.00	
Ernest Ratten.....	3.00	
Journal Office Supply Co.	5.90	
Loring Short & Harmon	23.00	
Edward C. Howard	9.66	
Marks Printing House	46.20	
Harriet E. Knight.....	12.39	
Ira J. Packard.....	12.51	
Hutchins Bros.....	8.40	
City Job Print	200.60	
A. F. Heal.....	8.00	
A. W. Adams.....	6.52	
Ethel Butler.....	1.15	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary.....		109.71
	409.71	409.71

CONTINGENT

Appropriation.....	100.00
Eugene Tenney.....	19.80
M. E. Wood.....	35.00
Roy B. Goodell.....	11.40
Ethelyn Fuller.....	40.00
Frank Fuller.....	4.32
J. C. Sweetland.....	182.50
State Treasurer.....	60.01

Distribution:

Field & Quimby.....	7.00
The First National Bank.....	10.61
Maine Municipal Association.....	30.00
R. B. Knight.....	2.50
Richard Lewis.....	3.00
Ronald Payson.....	3.00
Alexander Keen Jr.....	3.00
Laurence Robbins.....	6.00
Leander Sprowl.....	4.00
Lester Stearns.....	2.00
William Boothby.....	1.50
Guy Byron.....	1.50
George Thomas.....	1.50
Raymond Harriman.....	1.00
Burton Brown.....	1.00
Harry Smith.....	1.00
Eric Prosser.....	1.00
Charles Thomson.....	1.00
E. C. Howard.....	4.00
Ira J. Packard.....	8.50
Carrie Howes.....	10.00
A. C. Keene.....	11.43
Fred Wiley.....	6.00
M. R. Marriner.....	19.32
W. G. Drinkwater.....	8.25

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Richard Merriam.....	18.83	
Perley C. Allen.....	15.00	
A. W. Adams	14.25	
Roy B. Goodell.....	3.00	
Harry Smith, Jr.....	1.00	
Feb. 9, Bal. Unexp. to Summary.....	253.03	
	453.03	453.03

COLLECTORS' COMMISSION

Appropriation.....		500.00
Distribution:		
Ira J. Packard.....	516.32	
Edward C. Howard.....	338.19	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary.....		354.51
	854.51	854.51

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation.....		2,500.00
Distribution:		
A. P. French.....	3.90	
Bert Brown	15.00	
Sprowl Bros.	205.84	
Frank Fuller.....	443.20	
Austin Towle.....	9.00	
Howard Clark.....	179.25	
Leslie Wentworth	62.87	
Wilfred Cross.....	24.00	
Clarence Drinkwater	117.01	
Alton Hammond.....	48.81	
Raymond Harrman	16.00	
Clarence Gelo.....	239.50	
Ernest Griffith.....	16.00	
R. E. Whitcomb	20.00	

Sidney Harriman.....	8.63	
Mrs. Charles Vanner.....	73.70	
Fred Little.....	11.25	
Hale Sparrow.....	216.90	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	9.00	
Merrick Bryant.....	32.30	
Natham Pease.....	100.80	
Arthur Sprowl.....	72.00	
Wentworth Wilson.....	27.00	
Charles MacKenzie.....	27.00	
Ronald Byers.....	15.75	
Charles Knight.....	4.80	
Byron Carr.....	14.00	
Maynard Marriner.....	53.00	
Cooper & Co.....	189.13	
Richard Hart.....	7.50	
James A. Robbins & Son.....	100.27	
Louis Robinson Jr.....	6.00	
Robert Byers.....	9.00	
Maurice Pottle.....	40.80	
James Bartlett.....	29.40	
Donald Lucas.....	18.00	
Eatons Garage.....	2.50	
Horace Ripley.....	6.00	
Clinton Butler.....	41.13	
Merrill Butler.....	22.40	
Charles Butler.....	3.00	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary.....		41.64
	2,541.64	2,541.64

STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation.....	799.50
State Treasurer.....	1,462.51
State Credit Slab City Bridge.....	101.24
State Shovel Credit.....	963.80
State Credit Bituminous Treatment.....	266.43

Distribution:

Willis Banks.....	185.65	
Clayton Dolloff.....	83.38	
Dennis Wentworth.....	6.00	
Clarence Gelo.....	281.00	
Frank Fuller.....	199.30	
Howard Clark.....	95.20	
Freeman Wooster.....	96.20	
Wentworth Wilson.....	90.00	
Gerald Ripley.....	46.60	
Richard Lewis.....	57.00	
Clarence Drinkwater.....	235.50	
Alton Hammond.....	174.40	
Raymond Harriman.....	151.00	
Sidney Harriman.....	3.00	
Raymond Gelo.....	15.00	
Hale Sparrow.....	16.00	
Mrs. Charles Vanner.....	394.50	
Merrick Bryant.....	69.68	
Cooper & Co.....	19.58	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	31.10	
State Compressor Credit.....	11.52	
Slab City Bridge Credit.....	101.24	
State Shovel Credit.....	963.80	
Discount on Culvert.....	.40	
Feb. 9, Bal. to S. A. No. 2 Bituminous Treatment.....	266.43	
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	3,593.48	3,593.48

STATE AID ROAD NO. 2
BITUMINOUS TREATMENT

Jan. 6, Paid State Loan Money		262.51
Feb. 9, Bal. S. A. Construction Credit		266.43
Feb. 9, Overexpended to 1948		145.40
Howard Clark	16.50	
Frank Fuller	43.50	
Clarence Drinkwater	28.00	
Charles MacKenzie	7.50	
Richard Lewis	3.00	
Sprowl Brothers	42.00	
Sprowl & Robbins	4.40	
Treasurer of State	262.51	
Collector of Internal Revenue50	
State Credit	266.43	
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	674.34	674.34

THIRD CLASS ROAD RECONSTRUCTION NO. 1

Oct. 28, State Treasurer		672.95
Oct. 14, State Shovel Credit		146.40
Distribution:		
Cooper & Co.	22.84	
Willis Banks	30.80	
Howard Clark	42.00	
Clarence Morse	12.00	
Clarence Gelo	124.10	
Raymond Harriman	104.00	
Frank Fuller	108.60	
Clarence Drinkwater	108.60	
Alton Hammond	32.00	
Clarence Morse Jr.	26.60	
Lester Stearns	52.30	

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Collector of Internal Revenue.....	10.20	
State Shovel Credit.....	146.40	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary		1.09
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	820.44	820.44

THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	631.00
Feb. 3, Bal. Unexp. from 1946.....	77.64

Distribution:

C. E. Gelo	75.50	
Lester Stearns.....	20.50	
Raymond Harriman.....	59.00	
Maynard Marriner.....	82.24	
Frank Fuller.....	135.98	
Howard Clark.....	63.75	
Clarence Drinkwater	76.80	
Freeman Wooster	6.00	
Dennis Wentworth.....	6.00	
Sprowl & Robbins	2.70	
Willis Banks	17.60	
Clarence Morse.....	6.00	
Nathan Pease.....	16.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue	3.90	
Cooper & Co.	23.31	
Treasurer of State....	122.40	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary..		8.64
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	717.28	717.28

MAINTENANCE OF UNIMPROVED ROADS

Oct. 17, State Treasurer.....		910.20
Distribution:		
Sidney Harriman.....	27.00	
Frank Fuller.....	84.20	
Raymond Harriman.....	158.00	
Hale Sparrow.....	153.10	
Willis Banks.....	57.20	
Howard Clark.....	39.00	
Wentworth Wilson.....	12.00	
Fred Little.....	9.00	
Clarence Gelo.....	100.00	
Clarence Drinkwater.....	100.80	
Alton Hammond.....	80.00	
Warren Moody.....	80.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	9.90	
Oct. 6, State Shovel Credit.....	317.20	
Oct. 6, State Shovel Credit.....		317.20
	1,227.40	1,227.40

SPECIAL RESOLVE ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....		100.00
Distribution:		
Frank Fuller.....	85.70	
Howard Clark.....	34.50	
Clarence Drinkwater.....	26.80	
Freeman Wooster.....	6.00	
Dennis Wentworth.....	13.60	
Sprowl & Robbins.....	3.15	
Charles MacKenzie.....	2.25	
Sprowl Bros.....	21.00	

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Collector of Internal Revenue.....	.50	
Cooper & Co.....	81.03	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary.....		174.53
	274.53	274.53

GENT HILLS SPECIAL RESOLVE
BITUMINOUS TREATMENT

Appropriation.....		400.00
Distribution:		
Treasurer of State.....	505.77	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary.....		105.77
	505.77	505.77

ROAD PATROL

Appropriation.....		700.00
Distribution:		
Treasurer of State.....	759.70	
Feb. 9, Overdraft to Summary.....		59.70
	759.70	759.70

CUTTING BUSHES ON IMPROVED ROADS

Feb. 3, Bal. from 1946.....		524.70
Distribution:		
Charles Jacobson.....	57.00	
Maynard Marriner.....	12.00	
Wentworth Wilson.....	63.75	
Feb. 9, Bal. Unexp. to 1948.....	391.95	
	524.70	524.70

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation.....		135.00
Central Maine Power Co.....	112.08	
February 9, Balance to 1948.....	22.92	
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	135.00	135.00

SNOW REMOVAL OVERDRAFT

Appropriation.....		1,336.83
February 3, Overdraft from 1946.....	1,336.83	
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	1,336.83	1,336.83

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation.....	500.00
Robert Thompson.....	2.00
Town Tractor.....	400.50
Town Sander.....	38.25
Town Share Plowing Black Rd., State Credit.....	145.52
State Treasurer.....	1,031.59
Roger Plaisted & Others.....	2.75

Distribution:

Clarence Gelo.....	1.88
Richard Lewis.....	89.26
Elura Dickey.....	2.00
Malcolm Calahan.....	17.25
Don Fuller.....	3.00
William Hjulstrom.....	10.38
Frank Fuller.....	612.25
Howard Clark.....	210.32

Wayne Butler	60.74
C. W. Drinkwater	172.06
Maynard Marriner....	136.32
Town Tractor	400.50
Town Sander....	38.25
Laurence Cushman	360.50
D. R. Wentworth	21.38
Raymond Harriman	204.50
Gerald Ripley.....	5.25
M. E. Cushman.....	35.85
Harold Wing.....	3.00
Sprowl Bros.....	27.40
R. B. Knight	127.29
M. W. Blake	43.65
Alton Collins	1.50
Treasurer of State	34.80
Eastern Tractor & Equipment Co.	423.60
Freeman Wooster	37.75
Clinton Butler	24.70
Elmer Beverage.....	1.50
Collector of Internal Revenue	31.10
Eatons Garage	6.50
Dean & Eugley	13.60
E. S. Hook	2.03
Rosco Ryan	2.25
Horace Gerrish	2.25
Willis Gerrish	2.25
Sidney Narriman	1.13
Hall Hardware	22.37
Charles MacKenzie	6.00
Roy Sparrow	4.13
Hale Sparrow	3.75
Martel McLane28
Sea View Filling Station	1.50
Central Petroleum Co.	15.46
Fred Elmes	2.73

Norman Hjulstrom.....	10.88	
Towns Share of Plowing Black Road..	145.52	
February 9, Overdraft to 1948.....		1,260.45
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	3,381.06	3,381.06

Note: On the Preceding Account 2,134.73 spent for 1946-47
Snow Removal, 1,100.81 has been spent for 1947-48.

OLD CEMETERIES AND FLAGS

Appropriation.....		35.00
Distribution:		
F. D. Jones.....	30.00	
Horace Ripley.....	15.00	
February 9, Overdraft to Summary ..		10.00
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	45.00	45.00

POOR RELIEF

Appropriation.....		200.00
Town of Bowdenham.....		298.17
Distribution:		
Richard Brown Account:		
Milton W. Blake.....	55.44	
Sprowl Bros.....	6.00	
Maynard Marriner.....	23.10	
Guy A. Dow.....	1.00	
Francis Woodbury.....	12.00	
Dr. John J. Sennett.....	33.00	
Byron Heath.....	1.83	

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Hazel H. Herrick.....	30.00	
Ivory & Cora Richard Account:		
R. B. Knight.....	161.24	
February 9, Balance to 1948.....	174.56	
	498.17	498.17

SUPPLEMENT TO OLD AGE ASSISTANCE AND BLIND

Appropriation	400.00
February 3, Balance from 1946	359.56

Distribution:

Account No. 1:

Lewis Robinson	40.00
Lorin Newbert.....	30.00
Maynard Marriner	15.50

Account No. 2:

George Clements..	223.00
City Drug Store.....	57.53
John A. Caswell, M. D.	48 00

Account No. 3:

Myra Cooley.....	649.21
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Account No. 4

Waldo County Hospital	38.00
Seth H. Reed, M. D.....	15.00

February 9, Overdraft to Summary	356.68
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1,116.24	1,116.24
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MOTHERS AID

Appropriation.....	600.00
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Distribution:

Account No. 1:

Treasurer of State...	294.00
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Account No. 2:		
Treasurer of State.....	336.00	
February 9, Overdraft to Summary....		30.00
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	630.00	630.00

PUBLIC HEALTH WORK

Appropriation.....		55.06
Treasurer of State.....	55.00	
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	55.00	55.00

VETRANDES AID

February 3, Balance from 1946.....		312.70
February 9, Balance Unexpended to 1948	312.76	
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	312.76	312.76

STATE POOR RELIEF

State Treasurer.....		586.15
February 9, Balance due from State		31.74
Harry Young Account:		
R. B. Knight.....	342.64	
M. W. Bird.....	12.00	
Mrs. Loring Parker Account:		
Annie Woods.....	39.00	
Richard Merriam.....	11.25	
Sprowl Bros.....	12.00	
Clarence Fuller.....	15.00	
Charles Corson:		
F. C. Small, M. D.....	100.00	
John C. Caswell, M. D.....	10.00	
Waldo County General Hospital	76.00	
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	617.89	617.89

COMMON SCHOOLS

Appropriation.....	5,000.00
February 3, Balance from 1946.....	927.17
Lytle Thursten.....	6.00
State School Fund Credit on State Tax.....	2,161.91
State Treasurer.....	347.21

Distribution:

Harleth Davis.....	1,052.96
Ruth Dow.....	397.67
Genneive Young.....	425.64
Alice Davis.....	673.57
Donald Allgrove.....	534.04
Bulah Nealey.....	262.18
Maynard Cushman.....	688.00
Wallace Dolly.....	27.00
Ruth Dow.....	15.00
Byron Carr.....	498.00
Lewis Gray.....	362.00
Carl Howard.....	105.00
Edgar Fuller.....	16.00
Ronald Payson.....	60.00
Phyllis Gelo.....	10.00
Marietta Gray.....	5.00
Maurice Gray.....	6.00
Alice Davis.....	15.00
James Robbins & Son.....	12.10
Raymond Harriman.....	14.00
Claybon Stickney.....	1.00
Fritz Broderson.....	28.00
Town of Montville.....	32.00
Donald Rhodes.....	10.00
Town of Liberty.....	619.46
City of Belfast.....	683.70
Town of Montville.....	168.00

James Pattee & Sons.....	33.22	
Central Maine Power Co.....	30.30	
Ginn & Co.....	49.64	
Loring Short & Harmon.....	31.61	
Treasurer of State.....	1.30	
Larrabee Bros.....	.84	
Edward E. Babb.....	49.53	
F. A. Owen Pub. Co.....	4.00	
Harleth Davis.....	10.40	
World Book Co.....	4.91	
American Book Co.....	71.01	
MacMillian Co.....	62.55	
Beckley Card Co.....	1.73	
Webster Pub. Co.....	24.42	
Cascade Paper Co.	5.23	
Milton Blake.....	3.83	
Silver Burdette.....	26.15	
Paper Crafters Inc.....	9.72	
Florence Allen.....	1.85	
Arlo Pub. Co.....	7.90	
Gledhill Bros.....	19.47	
L. L. Gray.....	11.38	
Mainco Trading Co.	6.63	
The Village Market	50.95	
Lardlaw Bros.	5.73	
Lyons & Carnaham.....	2.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue.....	429.10	
State of Maine.....	143.95	
February 9, Balance Unexpended to 1948	621.62	
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	8,442.29	8,442.29

SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS AND INSURANCE

February 3, Balance from 1946.....	47.12
Appropriation.....	500.00
March 3, Transferred from the 1946 New Schoolhouse Building Ap- propriation by Vote of the Town under Art. 37 for a new heating equipment to be installed in the Village School Building.....	1,000.00
February 9, 1948, The First National Bank of Belfast Loan	600.00

Distribution:

E. R. Dow.....	3.75	
Claybon Stickney.....	2.00	
Lincoln Lumber Co.....	16.25	
Lewis Gray.....	38.50	
Hall Hardware Co.....	45.80	
Howard E. Rollins.....	16.84	
Horace Ripley.....	21.00	
Walter Aldus.....	90.69	
Samuel Payson.....	20.00	
Sprowl Bros.....	30.94	
Raymond Harriman.....	6.50	
Larrabee Bros.....	2.75	
A. O. Parmenter.....	2.52	
The Home Furnishing Co.....	3.15	
Cooper & Co.....	21.95	
Field & Quimby.....	15.00	
Larrabee Bros.....	876.35	
February 9, Unexpended to 1948.....	933.13	
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	2,147.12	2,147.12

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Appropriation.....		175.00	
Balance from 1946.....		25.61	
Distribution:			
L. L. Gray.....	194.84		
February 9, Balance to 1948.....	5.77		
	200.61		200.61

FIRE EQUIPMENT

Appropriation.....		25.00	
Distribution:			
Eastern Fire Equipment.....	64.20		
R. B. Knight.....	37.12		
February 9, Overdraft to Summary....			76.32
	101.32		101.32

FIRE DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE

February 3, Balance from 1946		117.56	
Distribution:			
R. B. Knight.....	35.58		
Ronald Payson.....	16.00		
Alexander Keen, Jr.	2.50		
Gerald Ripley.....	2.50		
Wayne Butler.....	2.50		
Warren Heath.....	24.00		
William Hjulstrom	32.00		
Norman Hjulstrom	16.00		
Norman Ripley.....	8.00		

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Perry Davis.....	16.00	
Laurence Cushman.....	22.00	
Donald Fuller.....	22.00	
R. A. Gammon.....	5.00	
Clifton Marriner	6.00	
Donald Howard.....	6.00	
Gardner Hemenway.....	6.00	
Drummond Hemenway.....	6.00	
Clyde Ripley.....	6.00	
City of Belfast.....	23.00	
February 9, Overdraft to Summary		139.52
	<u>257.08</u>	<u>257.08</u>

BONDS FOR TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

Appropriation.....		22.50
Field and Quimby.....	22.50	
	<u>22.50</u>	<u>22.50</u>

STATE OF MAINE PUBLICITY BUREAU

Appropriation.....		25.00
Paid State of Maine Publicity Bureau	25.00	
	<u>25.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>

RESOURCES

Cash on Hand, February 9, 1948	948.54
Estimate of Reimbursement from State on Snow Removal	1,500.00
State Poor Relief.....	31.74

Due from the Estate of Lois Freeman Supplement O. A. A.....	342.39
Due from Ira Packard Collector:	
1944 Tax	13.94
1945 Tax	81.21
1946 Tax	131.45
Due from Edward C. Howard, Collector:	
1947 Tax.....	2,533.37
Tax Liens Town Property.....	270.40
1946 Tax Liens.....	313.95
Due from Snow Equipment Credits ..	1,005.54
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	7,172.53

LIABILITIES

The First National Bank, Belfast.....	2,600.00
Snow Removal.....	2,695.96
Roads and Bridges.....	569.11
Town Officers Salaries.....	126.38
Rental Fuel & Office Supplies.....	1.90
Fire Department.....	23.30
Street Lights.....	22.40
Supplement Aid to Old Age Ass.	186.92
Special Resolve Road Maintenance ..	4.70
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	6,230.67
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Assets More than Liabilities.....	941.86

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand, February 3, 1947	3,662.84	
Loan, First National Bank, Belfast ..	3,000.00	
Loan, First National Bank, Belfast ...	600.00	
		7,262.84
E. C. Howard, 1947 Tax.....	18,142.65	
E. C. Howard, Excise Tax.....	832.25	
Ira J. Packard, 1946 Tax	504.79	
Ira J. Packard, 1945 Tax.....	14.88	
Ira J. Packard, 1944 Tax.....	30.26	
Ira. J Packard, Excise Tax	298.08	
		19,822.91
State Treasurer:		
Snow Removal, 1946-1947.....	1,031.59	
Aid Forest Fires.....	17.00	
Bank Stock Tax.....	40.77	
Health & Welfare Department...	586.15	
Town Road Improvement.....	910.20	
Third Class Road Reconstruction.....	672.95	
State Aid Road.....	1,462.51	
Difference in State Tax & School Fund	349.45	
		5,070.62
Town of Bowdinhams, Richard Brown &		
Family.....	298.17	
Town Tractor	400.50	
Town Sander.....	38.25	
Robert Thompson, Tractor Rental...	2.00	
Roger Plaisted & others.....	2.75	
Lytle Thurston, Tuition Priscilla		
Thurston.....	6.00	
First National Bank, Rebate on Note	8.00	
Frank Fuller, Refund on Overpayment	.10	
		755.77

TAX LIEN RECEIPTS

Eugene Graves by Same.....	6.45	
Harry B. Putnam by Same.....	47.24	
Rosie Corson by Same.....	17.87	
Charles Martin by Same.....	37.80	
Wentworth Wilson by Same.....	30.00	
Roy B. Goodall, A. F. Heald Property	105.67	
Herbert Mehuren, Carrie Mehuren		
Property.....	26.91	
Donovan Bowley by Same.....	88.80	
B. A. Drummond by Same.....	93.90	
Chas. & Elinor MacKenzie by Same ..	60.18	
Willis Gerrish by Same.....	57.60	
		572.42
Town Property:		
M. E. Wood by Same.....	35.00	
Eugene Tenney by Same.....	19.80	
Roy B. Goodall, Levi Campbell		
Property.....	20.00	
Ethlyn Fuller, Arthur Peirpont		
Property.....	116.70	
J. C. Sweetland by Same	220.00	
Wentworth Wilson by Same....	39.45	
Frank Fuller, Obed Fuller Heirs		
Property.....	20.00	
		470.95
		33,955.51
Warrants Drawn..		33,006.97
		948.54
Balance on Hand		

HARRIET E. KNIGHT

Treasurer

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Report of Town Clerk for the Fiscal year 1947 ending February 1, 1948.

Number of Births in Searsmont—10.

Number of Marriages in Searsmont—9.

Number of Deaths in Searsmont—8.

Number Buried in Searsmont but whose death occurred elsewhere—8.

Died and buried elsewhere but whose birth occurred in Searsmont and recorded here—3.

A. W. ADAMS

Town Clerk

OAK GROVE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Trust Fund:

February, 1947, Balance in Bank.....	1,708.50	
May 1, 1947, Interest.....	8.54	
November 1, 1947, Interest.....	8.58	
December 11, Withdrawn and Deposited on Working Account.....		25.62
February 20, 1948 Balance in Bank....		1,700.00
	<hr/> 1,725.62	<hr/> 1,725.62

Working Fund:

February, 1947, Balance in Bank.....	9.06	
December 2, 1947, Received from Sale of lot to Ralph Freeman.....	20.00	
December 11, 1947, Deposit Transferred from principal.....	25.62	
December 10, Withdrawn by H. P. Cobb		21.02
February 2, 1948, Withdrawn by Sprowl Brothers		5.76
February 20 1948, Balance in Bank ..		27.90
	<hr/> 54.68	<hr/> 54.68

CHARLES RIPLEY FUND INVESTMENTS

February, 1948, U. S. Savings Series G Bonds.....	7,800.00
Yearly Income 195.00	

Charles Ripley Fund Income Savings Account 8742

February, 1947, Balance in Bank.....	721.51
May 1, Interest.....	2.60
October 1, Deposit Income.....	97.50
November 1, Interest.....	2.70

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February, Deposit Income.....	97.50	
April 25, 1947, Withdrawn.....		200.00
December 13, 1947, Withdrawn.....		100.00
February, 1948, Balance in Bank.....		621.81
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	921.81	921.81

Charles Ripley Poor Fund

February, 1947, Balance in Bank.....	862.25	
Interest, May 1, 1947.....	4.31	
Interest, November 1, 1947.....	4.33	
February, 1948, Balance in Bank.....		870.89
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	870.89	870.89

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Resources

Balance on Hand, February 1, 1947....	927.17	
Raised by Town	5,000.00	
State School Fund.....	2,509.12	
Elementary Tuition.....	6.00	
Total.....		8,442.29

Liabilities

Elementary Teachers.....	3,919.11	
Elementary Tuition.....	168.00	
Secondary Tuition.....	1,303.16	
Conveyance.....	1,627.22	
Janitor Service.....	217.00	
Fuel.....	93.10	
Text Books and Supplies	493.08	
Total.....		7,820.67

Balance on Hand, February 1, 1948	621.62
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REPAIR

Resources

Balance on Hand, February 1, 1947....	47.12	
Special Appropriation, 1946.....	500.00	
Special Appropriation, 1947.....	1,000.00	
Borrowed.....	600.00	
		2,147.12
Paid on Order.....		1,213.99
Balance on Hand, February 1, 1948		933.13

PROPOSED BUDGET

Expenses

Elementary Teachers.....	6,000.00	
Elementary Teachers.....	150.00	
Secondary Tuition	1,350.00	
Conveyance.....	1,800.00	
Janitor Service.....	272.00	
Fuel.....	550.00	
Text Books and Supplies.....	500.00	
		10,622.00

Sources

From Balance on Hand.....	621.62	
State School Fund.....	2,500.38	
To be Raised by Town.....	7,500.00	
		10,622.00

To be raised for repair, insurance, construction and new apparatus; as per motion.

At this reporting, the new heating plant is being installed. By spending this amount of money and introducing a third teacher we have obligated our school system, according to the rules and regulations of the state department of Education. Immediate improvement are mandatory.

The new laws in regard to salary for teachers were passed by the legislature, in nearly the form we predicted. We were allowed to continue until the close of last year, in June, on the old salary status. Thus, the higher salary regulations became effective in September. This year we need to pay the higher salary from town meeting to town meeting, and not just from September to town meeting. Basic salary for certified teachers is, by law, now not less than \$1,500. The previous law fixed the minimum salary at

\$1,000.00. This past year the state advanced money per teaching position as though we had paid at the rate of \$1500 for the entire year. Therefore, our state money will be no more next year. We, however, must comply with the new law for thirty six weeks and not for approximately one half year.

No longer is it a matter of local school committees saying what must be made available for public school expenses. The state and the public demands make budgeting very much a matter of simple addition.

May we join in the efforts that produce growth and happiness for our boys and girls.

LEWIS L. GRAY

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Public health nursing service is a service which is primarily interested in helping to attain and further a healthy community. The service includes interpretation and application of medical and social procedures for the correction of defects, prevention of disease and promotion of both physical and mental health. The public health nurse is interested in the health of the families that make up the community.

The nurse visits a prospective mother to urge her to obtain adequate medical care and to discuss associated problems. When the child is born, the nurse instructs the mother in daily care of the baby. In a few cases provisions must be made for correction of abnormal conditions. Actual care of the baby is not given, but certain techniques are demonstrated. The preschool child is visited less frequently than the infant, but the service is the same. 12 visits for maternal health, 33 visits for infant hygiene and 77 visits to preschool children were made during the past year.

When the child reaches school age, the nurse works with the teachers as well as the parent. The nurse visited the schools and talked with the teachers about health problems. 8 home visits were made to school children. 56 audiometer tests were given to determine hearing. Parents of children with defective hearing were notified by the teacher and will be followed by the nurse. Because so few requests for immunization were received, the regular school clinic was not held. The children were invited to attend the Child Health Conferences for the immunization.

Handicapped children are followed by the nurse and some are seen regularly at the State Clinics. Any child needing the service of the State clinics for crippled children, pediatric cases or mental hygiene problems may be referred through the family physician and public health nurse. 3 visits were made for this service.

In the tuberculosis control program 5 home visits were made and 6 x-rays were taken at the State X-ray Clinic.

The Searsmont Health Council sponsored 2 Child Health Conferences. 3 infants and 12 preschool children were examined by a physician. 10 small pox and 4 diphtheria immunizations were given.

Public health nursing service is successful only to the degree of the interest and cooperation of the families and the community. A more effective program is desirable, and it can be obtained through the increased efforts of townspeople who are interested in community health. Much credit for arranging the Child Health Conferences last summer is due the Health Council. Let us hope that this and other health services may be permanently included in the public health nursing program.

May I take this opportunity to thank the Health Council, town officials, school personnel and others for their cooperation and support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

RUBY MILLIGAN
Public Health Nurse

WARRANT

Waldo, ss.

State of Maine

To Edward C Howard, a Constable of the Town of Searsmont in the County of Waldo, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of said Town of Searsmont qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble in Dirago Hall in said Town on the Eighth day of March A. D. 1948 at ten o'clock Eastern Standard Time, in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:—

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the report of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes. *Accept*

Art. 4. To choose three or more Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

John W. Kimball 1st - M. M. M. 3rd
Art. 5. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Harold B. ...
Art. 6. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

North - D. ... - 2nd - C. D. ... - 3rd - H. Fuller
Art. 7. To choose a member of the School Committee for three years. *Harold B. ...*

Art. 8 To choose one or more Constables and a Collector of Taxes and to determine the method of collecting the taxes. *Edward C. Howard*

Art. 9. To choose a Fire Chief, for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a Fire Warden and Inspector.

Art. 11. To choose all other Town Officers.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will accept the following ordinance to wit:—

Be it ordained by the Inhabitants of the Town of Searsmont, in the County of Waldo and State of Maine.

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm, company or corporation to kindle a fire on his or its own land or land of another, other than for household purposes without first obtaining a permit for same from two of the duly elected Selectmen of said Town, or Fire Chief.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons, firm, company or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to prosecution by the Courts of Waldo County and State of Maine, and upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100.00; or by imprisonment for not more than three months; or by both said fine and imprisonment.

Art. 13. To see what wages the Town will vote to pay men, teams, and trucks for the ensuing year.

(a) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Treasurer for the ensuing year. *100*

(b) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Town Clerk for the ensuing year. *50 and 50*

(c) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year. *50*

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(d) To see what the Town will vote to pay the Fire Chief for the ensuing year.

(e) To see what the Town will vote to pay all other Town Officers.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to grant a two percent (2%) or more abatements on taxes for voluntary cash payments on or before July 10th., 1948.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$55.00 for public health nursing in Searsmont, said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service. \$55.00.

Art. 16. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways, and bridges) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29, Chap. 20, R. S. 1944, as amended.—\$799.50.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to change the location of one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the State Aid Road, Joint Fund, from present location to the East Searsmont road, starting at the end of designated Special Resolve road, Leading from Arnold turn so called to the Lincolnville Town Line.

The remaining one half ($\frac{1}{2}$) State Aid road Joint Fund to be expended in present location, on Moody Mt. road. And to instruct the Selectmen to take such action as is necessary with the State Highway Commission.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to change the Location of the State Aid Road No. 2 from it's present location to the Road known as New England road, starting where the Third Class Road leaves off near the Paul Ranch and continuing on Original Route laid out for said Third Class road. And to instruct the Selectmen to take such Action as is necessary with the Highway Commission.

- Art. 19. To see what method the Town will vote to adopt for the care of the poor and needy of said town during the ensuing year.
- Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriation for Poor Relief.—\$150.00.
- Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Mother's Aid.—\$600.00.
- Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Supplement Aid to Old Age Assistance and Blind.—\$700.00.
- Art. 23. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for salaries of Town Officers.—\$1,000.00.
- Art. 24. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Commission of Tax Collector.—\$500.00.
- Art. 25. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Contingent Expenses.—\$200.00.
- Art. 26. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Roads and Bridges.—\$2,500.00.
- Art. 27. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for street lighting service.—\$135.00.
- Art. 28. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for maintenance of improved third class road.—\$631.00.
- Art. 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$800.00 to pay share of State Road Patrol as required for the ensuing year.—\$800.00.

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- Art. 30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,260.45 to take care of the overdraft in snow removal for 1947-48.—\$1,260.45.
- Art. 31. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for snow removal for the year 1948-49 and by what method snow shall be removed.—\$1,500.00.
- Art. 32. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate to pay on outstanding note on snow removal equipment.—\$500.00.
- (a) To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay on outstanding notes on Tractor Over-hall Job.—\$500.00.
- Art. 33. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for rental, fuel and office supplies.—\$350.00.
- Art. 34. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for Interest on Loans.—\$200.00.
- Art. 35. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for support of common schools for the coming year. \$7,500.
- Art. 36. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the salary of School Superintendent.—\$190.00.
- Art. 37. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to give Note or Notes in the name of the Town of Searsmont to meet the obligation involved in new construction at the Village School House as required by the State Department of Education.
- Art. 38. To see if the Town will appoint a Committee of three to serve with the School Committee for further improvement on the Village Schoolhouse for the ensuing year.

Art. 39. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for fire equipment.—\$25.00.

Art. 40. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the Fire Department Maintenance.—\$100.00.

Art. 41. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate to maintain Special Resolve Road.—\$100.00.

Art. 42. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Art. 43. To see how much the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Bonds for the Collector and Treasurer.—\$22.50.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$600.00 to take care of the Note at the First National Bank of Belfast used for Schoolhouse Repairs, Insurance and New Heating Equipment.—\$600.00.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans not to exceed a total of (\$4,000.00) and to execute and deliver in the name of the Town its note or notes therefor, said loan or loans to be paid during the municipal year out of money raised by taxes during current year.

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to continue to have a budget Committee and if so to appoint same.

Art. 48. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Schoolhouse repairs and Insurance, and new equipment.—\$250.00.

Art. 49. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Cemeteries and Flags.—\$45.00.

Art. 50. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

These appropriations were recommended by the Budget Committee.

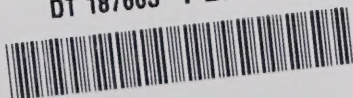
The Selectmen will be in session at Dirigo Hall at nine o'clock Eastern Standard Time, in the forenoon on the Eighth day of March A. D. 1948 for correcting the Town Voting Lists.

Given under our hand, this Twenty-fifth day of February, A. D., 1948. A true copy attest:

Constable of Searsmont.

WYMAN G. DRINKWATER
MAYNARD R. MARRINER
RICHARD MERRIAM
Selectmen of Searsmont

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